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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: DERVAN & BAIRD

Title: STEREOCHEMICAL CONTROL
OF THE DNA BINDING
AFFINITY, SEQUENCE
SPECIFICITY, AND
ORIENTATION PREFERENCE
OF CHIRAL HAIRPIN
POLYAMIDES IN THE MINOR
GROOVE

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 11, 2002 ("Paper No. 21"), please consider the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 16-19 with the following amended claims. Marked-up versions of these claims are attached hereto as Appendix A.

16. (Amended) A tandem-linked polyamide of claim 8, wherein P represents zero to eight polyamides of claim 1.

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